## CITY OF REDMOND RESOLUTION NO. 1312

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING A FINDING OF SUBSTANTIAL NEED TO INCREASE THE REGULAR 2010 PROPERTY TAX LEVY BY UP TO 1 PERCENT, AS ALLOWED BY LAW

WHEREAS, the property tax limit factor for a city of 10,000 population or more is the lesser of 101 percent or 100 percent plus inflation; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.005 defines inflation as the percentage change in the implicit price deflator (IPD) for personal consumption as published in September of the year before the tax will be due; and

WHEREAS, the IPD published in September by the Bureau of Economic Analysis equals negative 0.848 percent; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55 allows a city to adopt a property tax limit factor of a maximum of 101 percent with a finding of substantial need if the implicit price deflator (IPD) for personal consumption is less than 1 percent; and

WHEREAS, due to the economic downturn, revenues such as sales tax, utility taxes, and development fees continue to decline; and

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned revenues are used to maintain the quality of general city services including public safety, parks, planning, and public works, and underwrite the future maintenance and operations of completed capital investment projects; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds there is substantial need to maintain property tax at its legally-allowable limit to mitigate some of the impacts of declining revenues and to remain consistent with the Council's long-term financial strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, based on specific findings set forth herein, desires to raise the property tax levy to the legally allowable maximum of 101 percent plus the addition of new construction and annexations, consistent with the biennial budget adopted in December 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Increase in Regular Property Tax Levy. Pursuant to the foregoing finding of substantial need and pursuant to RCW 84.55.0101, the City Council authorizes an increase to the City of Redmond 2010 regular property tax levy by up to 101 percent (which is estimated to be \$356,198), as allowed by law, plus new construction and improvements to property, annexations, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, plus any changes due to omitted assessments and the refund fund.

Section 2. Certified Copy. The City Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the King County Assessor's Office.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Redmond City Council this  $1^{\rm st}$  day of December, 2009.

CITY OF REDMOND

OHN MARCHIONE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Michelle M. MCGEHEE, CMC, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

James Haney, City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

EFFECTIVE DATE:

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November 24, 2009

December 1, 2009

December 1, 2009

ADOPTED 7-0: Allen, Carson, Cole, Margeson, McCormick, Myers and Vache